GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Environment, Forests, Science & Technology Department – Andhra Pradesh Pollution control Board - Establishment of a new Zonal Office at Tirupati – Permission – Accorded.

ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS, SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY (SEC.I) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Ms.No.14 **Dated : 23.02.2024.**

Read :-

From the Member Secretary, A.P. Pollution Control Board, Vijayawada, Lr.No.55/APPCB/HO/Estt./2024 Dt: 25/01/2024.

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ORDER :

The Member Secretary, Andhra Pradesh Pollution Control Board (APPCB), Vijayawada in the letter read above, has stated that the APPCB is having 3 Zonal Offices viz., Vijayawada, Visakhapatnam & Kurnool to perform the regular functions of Pollution Control activities to implement the Water (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1974 and the Air (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1981, Rules made under Environment (Protection) Act, 1986. Each Zonal Office is having an administrative control of its respective Regional Offices. After re-organization of the Districts in the State, the Zonal Office, Kurnool is having the jurisdiction of 8 Districts of entire Rayalaseema Region. During the re-organization of the districts, 65% of the industries earlier covered in Nellore District were brought under the purview of Tirupati District, which covers newly added Attivaram & Menakuru Industrial Parks in addition to the existing Red Category Industries, Dyeing Industries at Nagari, Fruit Canning Industries, SRICITY SEZ & DTZ Industries, resulting in additional workload on Regional Office, Tirupati. Further, some of the areas under the purview of Zonal Office, Kurnool are located more than 450 Km making it very difficult to travel and monitor the 17 categories of industries and highly polluting industries. The Member Secretary has further stated that the APPCB has constructed a new office building (2 Cellars + G +5 floors) with infrastructure facilities at Tirupati in an extent of Acres 0.25 cents with construction area of around 20,000 Sft. with a view to operate the Regional Office, Tirupati and also to establish Zonal Office.

2. The Andhra Pradesh Pollution Control Board in its Board meeting held on 19.01.2023, vide Resolution No. 265/2024, recommended the proposal for creation and establishment of a new Zonal Office at Tirupati. The Member Secretary, Andhra Pradesh Pollution Control Board has, therefore, requested the Government to consider and sanction permission for establishment of a new Zonal Office at Tirupati.

(P.T.O)

3. After careful examination of the proposal, the Government hereby accord permission to the Member Secretary, Andhra Pradesh Pollution Control Board for establishment of a new Zonal Office at Tirupati, subject to adjusting with the existing staff and accommodating the Zonal Office in the newly constructed Regional Office building at Tirupati and the expenditure on the establishment of new Zonal Office shall be met from its own sources.

4. The Member Secretary, Andhra Pradesh Pollution Control Board, Vijayawada shall take necessary action in the matter accordingly.

5. This order issues with the concurrence of the Finance (HR.II) Department vide their U.O.No.2344396/HR-II/FIN01-HR0PDPP(RRD)/21/2024. Dated: 06.02.2024.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

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SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
The Member Secretary, Andhra Pradesh Pollution Control Board, Vijayawada.
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